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April 13th
General Meeting

This meeting will feature editing the video that was shot at the LaCie meeting last month. Phil Beall will walk you through some of the features of iMovie and iDVD. You don't have to own a digital video camera to make movies, as most digital still cameras will work for short movies. If there is enough interest the club will burn copies of the LaCie meeting and put on DVD.

April 20th
First Byte Meeting

The main part of this meeting will be OS 10 troubleshooting. We hope to be able to answer all your questions about things that go wrong. Last month it seemed that it was a "stump the expert" meeting. But our guys up front finally got it all together and answered a few questions.

As always, with the First Byte meeting, you can ask any Mac related questions.

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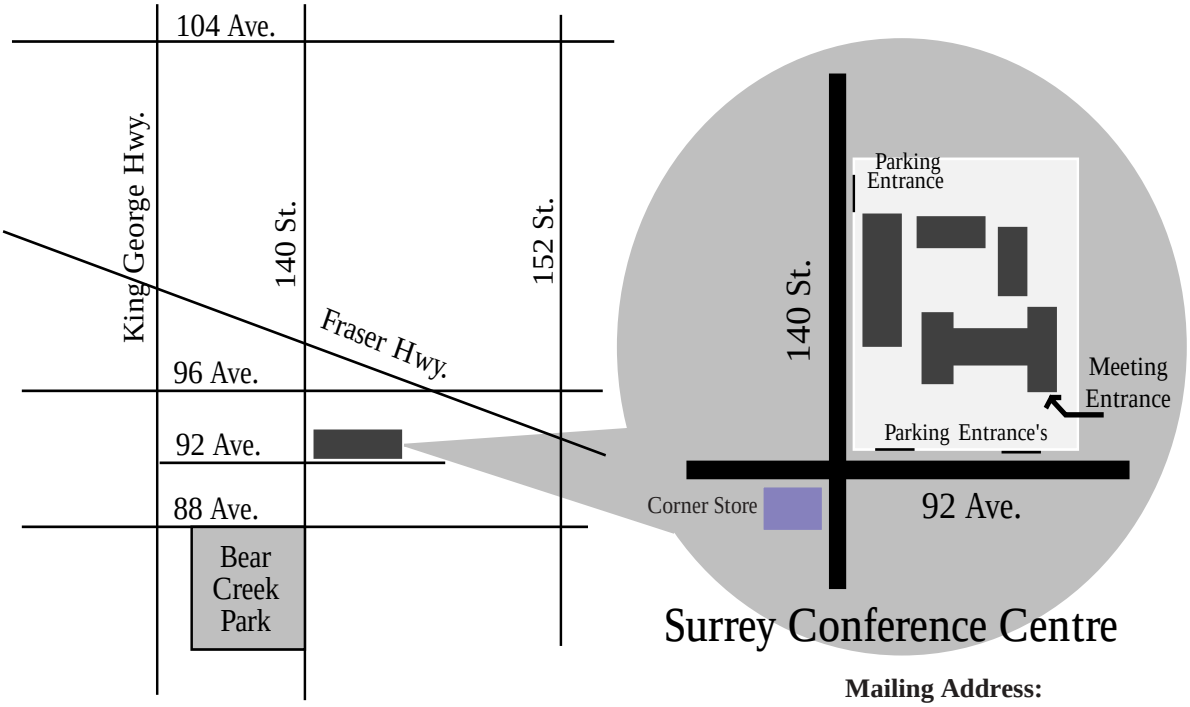

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Ask Terry

by Terry Lawrence, MacWest Member

Printing Ink problem

I recently ran across a puzzling printer problem, and a few days later chanced to find the fix in a MacFixIt column by Ted Landau.

The symptoms were an error message that the ink tank was empty, when in fact it was full. The actual problem turned out to be dirty contacts on a (commercially) refilled ink cartridge. The problem is the misleading error message, leading myself (and several other Mac techs, including Ted Landau) to look for software problems such as corrupted printing preferences or drivers, when in fact the printer was simply failing to make proper electrical contact with the cartridge/printhead. Ted Landau was dealing with a Lexmark printer, while I was troubleshooting a Hewlett Packard. Both have the printhead built into the cartridge.

At any rate, if your printer insists it is out of ink when the cartridge is actually full, or just fails to respond with and error message about a misaligned printhead, try cleaning the contacts on the cartridge and carriage with a slightly moist cloth. Dry them immediately after wiping them with the moist cloth. Also, if the printhead is built into the cartridge, as on the Lexmark and HP printers, check the actual jets on the bottom of the cartridge to make sure they are clean.

Printer setup.

Question: The printer symbol on the dock has disappeared, so consequently the Epson printer will not print and I am unable to find where the printer has disappeared to. I do notice the the former Lexmark that I had, seems to be still programmed into the system, as sometimes something pops up with the name. Do you think the computer is getting the wrong message? I have never had such continuous problems before. It is terribly frustrating when I want to get something done. Any ideas?

Answer: Probably the printer icon was inadvertently dragged off the dock and went poof! You don't need the printer icon on the dock to print, only to select a printer, add or delete a printer, or stop or start jobs. To restore it, open the Hard Drive, then the Applications folder, then the Utilities folder, drag the Printer Setup Utility icon onto the dock, and release it to create a new dock icon.

Open the Printer setup utility. If your printer is not listed, click on the Add button to locate it. Select Epson USB from the options, and providing your printer is turned on and connected to the computer, it should show up in the list. Click on it to select it, and press the Add button.

Your printer should now appear in the Printer Setup Utility window. Click on it to select it, and then click on Make Default. If the old Lexmark is still listed, click on it to select it, and click on Delete to remove it. You should now be ready to print.

Placing a desktop photo.

Just a quick question for you. A friend sent a picture to me via e-mail as an attachment. I'd like to take that picture and put it on my screen as a picture. Is this possible? If it is, how do I proceed? I.m using OS 10.3 8 (Panther).

Answer: Copy or drag the picture icon into the iPhoto window, click on it to select it in the iPhoto thumbnails, and click on the Desktop icon at the bottom of the iPhoto window to set it on the desktop.

Alternatively, place it in the Pictures folder in your user folder, and then from the Desktop system preference, select Pictures as your source of desktop backgrounds. Click on the desired photo to set it on the desktop.

Creating email Groups.

Question: Is there a way of having separate groups that are not listed in all. Would I have to set up another file to hold all the addresses that need no special group thus having everyone in group files but keeping the all file.?

Answer: In the Entourage or Outlook Express email program, the addresses should all be listed in the general address list. Groups are essentially subsets within the general address book. When you create a Group, it is added to the general address list. I start all my group names with an asterisk (*). This moves them to the top of the list, and I can bring up all my groups in

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General Meeting
March 9th, 2005
Annual General Meeting

By Margit Hansson
MacWest Secretary

Attendance: 37 members and 3 Guests
Chairman: President Dale Marcell
Dale called the meeting to order at 19:40.
Quorum established.
Copies of Agenda were circulated and approved.

The previous AGM minutes were presented and read.

Motion: To adopt the March 10th, 2004, minutes as read. Moved by Bryce Warner. Seconded by Hube Start. Carried.

Reports:

President Dale Marcell: Dale especially spoke of our web site, created and managed by him. A good number of members had responded to the questionnaire.

Vice President Robert Hausselman: Robert spoke of the fact that much new technology has been developed and that he is looking forward to working with the club in the coming year.

Secretary Margit Hansson: Margit spoke of her role on the board. The consideration of ideas and topics for Wednesday meeting as well as attendance regarding new, intermediate and long term members.

Treasurer Robert Scales: Robert, in detail, explained the Financial Statement which was enclosed with the March issue of our newsletter. Our ending balance, $5,623.10 increased by $38.19 from the February 1, 2004, starting balance. Similar topic as last year was discussed: Cost of Newsletter and whether it should be changed to .pdf format and whether some issues should still be printed if changed to .pdf format. Tabled for further discussions. Member, Roger Smith would like to see a statement of assets owned. A statement will be enclosed with a future newsletter.

Motion: To approve the Financial Report as read. Moved by Roger Smith. Seconded by Eric Wolstenholme. Carried.

Membership Report: Robert Scales reported 22 new members and 70 renewals.

Motion: To approve Membership Report. Moved by Roger Smith. Seconded by Robert Hausselman. Carried.

There were no further reports.

Nominations:

Dale Marcell, Robert Hausselman, Robert Scales, Terry Lawrence, Phil Beall, Ian Birch, Nash Damji, Don Loftis, George Wade, Pyaro Panjwani.

Motion: To declare the above list of members elected to the new board of directors for 2005/2006. Moved by Dale Marcell. Seconded by Margit Hansson. Carried.

Non-executive position: Scott Gilroy, BBS Sysop.

As there was no further business Chairman Dale Marcell closed the Annual General Meeting at 21:05.

Ian's e-Memo

Editor's note: This is part of Ian's e-memo.

A little late in getting all my stutf together having lost all my address's in the break in, also they got my Backup, so if you want to be on my list please mail me.

I hope you enjoyed the last tip we sent you about cookies and security. Too many cookies can load up your computer with unwanted files, and expose your private activities to others.

If you've ever wanted to change your HOME-PAGE, I'm about to show
you how to do it now.

New Browser

In my last email, I said I would share a new browser that is really great. The name of this browser is Opera. Just look at some of the great features.

Pop-up blocker
Opera Mail with SPAM killer
IRC-compatible chat
Newsreader
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Integrated Google search
Small-Screen Rendering (SSR)

And the best part (in my opinion) is the fact that instead of having multiple sessions, you can have different 'windows' for all the different sites you have open. This browser is very stable. I've never seen it crash. You can download it here:

http://www.freedownloadzone.com/opera

Have a great week!
Michelle

Apple plugs iTunes security hole

By Macworld staff

Apple has addressed a security hole in the iTunes Music Store that made it possible to purchase songs that did not immediately feature anti-piracy protection.

The hole was being exploited by DVD Jon (Jon Johansen), famous for breaking the encryption software that protected and localized DVDs. He had found a way of buying DRM-free tracks. Because the iTunes Music Store didn't add the digital rights management tag until after a track had been bought and downloaded.

Apple released a statement yesterday saying: "The security hole in the iTunes Music Store which was recently exploited has been closed, and as a consequence the iTunes Music Store will now sell music only to customers using iTunes version 4.7."

IE's seven days of grace

By Macworld staff

Microsoft's Internet Explorer browser was unsafe for 98 per cent of 2004, according to security firm ScanIT.

The researcher's controversial findings also confirm Mozilla browser to have been unsafe for a relatively short 15 per cent of the year. ScanIT's figures come from a survey of 195,000 Internet users.

Those using Firefox suffered the shortest "exposure period" when a patch for known vulnerabilities was not there.

Internet Explorer enjoyed only seven days without being vulnerable between October 12 and 19.

ScanIT CEO David Michaux said: "For 200 days in 2004 ? that's some 54 per cent of the time - there was a worm or virus exploiting one of those unpatched vulnerabilities."

iPod Camera Connector now available

By Macworld staff

Apple's iPod Camera Connector is now available at Apple's online store.

The device enables a digital camera to be connected to an iPod photo allowing photos to be imported into the iPod.

The Camera Connector features a cable for connecting to the iPod and a USB port for connecting to a camera. Pictures load

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Three words: Get a Mac!

by Chris Iregui,
Consumer technology

I cannot recall a week when there hasn't been a new virus, spyware, worm or other security risk that threatens Windows users. All computer professionals have become use to newly found vulnerabilities or weaknesses in one of Microsoft's products like Outlook, Explorer or Windows itself being announced on an almost weekly basis.

I could continue writing this week's column about the latest Windows threats and what you can do to prevent from getting infected or becoming an unknowing participant in some other security threat. Or I could tell you in three simple words how to avoid all those problems. What are those three simple words you ask?

Get a Mac! Macs simply do not have the threats or grief that Windows has. There are few reasons why a Mac in the home isn't the best choice.

"There is no software available for the Mac" are words that are often said by the unknowing. In the words of General McAulliffe "Nuts!" There are thousands of software titles for the Mac, including the top-selling titles available for Windows, including Microsoft Office. How many programs does one want to install and use anyway? Besides, most Windows software is vulnerable to the ongoing security threats, including Microsoft's flagship; Office.

"I need to share my Word and Excel files with my friends who own Windows computers" No problem. Microsoft Office with it's flagship applications; Word and Excel, is available for the Mac. It provides seamless sharing of files so your friends, clients and colleagues will never know you wrote that report on a Mac.

"There are no games for the Mac" is another common statement. That is untrue also. However, the most popular violent games are usually only for Windows. If the games with maximum violence and blood are your main reason to have a home computer, stick with a Windows computer or buy an XBox.

"Macs are too expensive" is the other common phrase. True, they have been slightly higher in price in the past, but they also cost less to maintain and have a longer usable lifespan. After all, you do get what you pay for.

Apple Computer recently introduced a Mac that will fit most family budgets. On January 11th, Steve Jobs, Apple's CEO, announced the Mac Mini. The Mini is attractive and a great alternative to PC users who already have an existing monitor and USB keyboard and mouse. For $629 CDN almost anyone can now afford to buy a computer that runs the planet's best operating system, without the constant threats of spyware, viruses and the like.

The Mac Mini is also appealing to existing Mac users who want to add another computer to their home office for an inexpensive price. The name of the computer is quite fitting. The Mac Mini is so small that companies have already designed integration of the computer into the dashboard of a car, replacing the stereo and using a small touch-screen.

Security aside, what are the other reasons to get a Mac? Common sense tells us we should have technology that works and makes our lives easier. Macs just work. Without any hassles. For example, with a Mac you have the confidence knowing that you can plug any digital camera into a Mac without installing software, and within seconds have your digital photos on your computer. No waiting for driver downloads or for newly found hardware detection.

Our lives have become more digital with music, video and photos. Nothing comes close to the Mac with its seamless integration of these three mediums. The iLife suite of software that is on every Mac makes your digital lifestyle easy and fun, without the anxiety of reading a manual or spending hours trying to get the computer to see the camera.

Apple's operating system is called Mac OS X, or often called Panther by Mac enthusiasts. The OS X operating system is UNIX based, which most large companies, universities and governments rely on for their critical computers.

Apple has constantly been the leader in innovation with products like the Mac Mini and iPod to name a few. The others are always trying to duplicate, which is the highest form of flattery.

The bottom line is; if you don't mind the constant security threats, crashing, confusion and overall frustration, buy a Windows based computer. If you want to own a computer that can be fun again, look good, and do what you want it to do; get a Mac.

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President's Report

by Dale Marcell,
MacWest President

Wherever you look today, you'll see advertising, news reports and most important everyday people talking about Apples iPod and now the Mac Mini. What we have is a new Mac revolution. Much has been said of the iPod's "**halo effect**", strong sales of iPods have spill over into sales of Macs; Apple's global market share for sales of new systems is on the rise. Today every MacWest members is a ambassador for Apple, with that in mind I would like everyone to invite anyone that approaches you in conversation about the iPod or Mac Mini, to come to one of our meeting, let's get the word out about MacWest.

MacWest has a lot of history and we are now approaching our 20th anniversary mark in October. The executive is now in the planning stage for an anniversary dinner and is looking for volunteers to let us a hand.

We are now running on-line surveys on our Web Site. The executive is looking forward to your feedback and suggestions so that we can ensure that planned events are meeting the needs of our members. A special draw for an iPod shuffle will be held in June. This draw is for MacWest members that submit the on-line form; a report will be issued by the end of July.

That's all for this month. Remember to bring friend to the meeting!

Special Meeting
March 16th, 2005

By Phil Beall
MacWest NL Editor

The meeting opened with MacWest President Dale Marcell thanking everyone for coming to the meeting. He asked if we had any guests, there was a couple, he hoped they would enjoy the meeting, He then turned the meeting over to the Program Director, Terry Lawrence, who introduced the evening's speaker Arvin Pasildo, from LaCie. This was Arvin's third time at one of our meetings.

Arvin had a variety of new products to demo and he answered numerous questions.

Fritz left, and Paul, long time MacWest members, have a look at one of the LaCie products.

The new DVD burners can burn DVD+R and DVD-R along with DVD-RW's, plus they can do the dual layer disks. All the LaCie products come with software and all the cables that are needed. He also showed the new Lightscribe burners that will burn a label directly onto the top of the DVD. They will be shipping at the beginning of April.

Another product that is of great interest is the Silverscreen Multimedia drive. It is a 40 or 80 gig hard drive that will copy your DVD's and mp3's, on to and then output them to your TV. They have both S video and RCA plugs so you can play the movies without a computer. It is handy if you have children who have DVD's that they want to watch, they can use this and you do not have to worry them handling the original DVD and have them getting damaged. You can also plug it into your portable LCD players that are in a vehicle if it has S video or RCA plugs.

Arvin went on to talk about tape backup drives, saying that they are still one of the best ways to backup your files. Another way to backup is using the Ethernet Disk Mini, (250 gig or 400 gig) which is a hard drive that you put in you network allowing data to be sent to it from all the computers on the network. Since it is connected by Ethernet the drive can be stored in a safe place at the office or at home.

Arvin finished the meeting with a quick look at the monitors that LaCie has. They have added LCD monitors to go along with their CRT's. The LCD monitors can be pivoted to either portrait or landscape display.

Stephen and Henry from Discount Mac had many of the above mentioned products on hand at the meeting and anyone who bought them there, Discount Mac covered the PST and GST.

To finish up, we held a raffle draw for a LaCie data watch and a memory card reader.

This meeting was video taped for a demo of iMovie and iDVD which will be presented at the April 13th meeting.

Arvin Pasildo from LaCie, having some fun with the audience.

Stephen and Henry from Discount Mac were once again on hand at our meeting.

New member Iris Schindel is presented with the raffle prize of a LaCie Data Watch, by Arvin Pasildo from LaCie

Robert Scales, MacWest Treasurer, presents Don Loftis with his raffle prize of a Memory card reader.

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a new or forwarded email by just typing an asterisk into the To line, and then selecting the group I want from the drop down list of groups.

The quick way to create a group from your general addresses is to hold down the Apple (command) key, click on all the names you want in the group, and then click on the New Group button. A group will be created with all the addresses in it. Give it a name, and put a check in the Don't show Addresses check box so that each person only sees their own address, and not the whole list. Click on Save, close the Group window, and you are ready to send to that group. You can always open and add to or delete names from the group at any time.

Bank reconciles in Quicken.

Question: I somehow inadvertently undid all my bank reconciles in Quicken 2002. I have reentered several months already, working backwards from Feb/05. Guess it is ok not do any more. But for future info, is there some way to restore the deleted reconciles? I did look in the Quicken instructions but was not successful finding the info.

Answer: There should be a Quicken Backup folder in the Quicken Essentials folder in your Quicken 2002 folder, Shirley. See screenshot of a Quicken 2002 folder. Look for the last backup prior to erasing the data, and then double click on it to open it. If it still has your data in it, go to File and Save As and save it onto the desktop.

Quit Quicken and then double click on the Quicken data file you saved onto the desktop. This will now be your new Quicken data file. Bring it up to date, and you should be back in business.

Appleworks alias disappeared.

Question: I clicked on the Appleworks icon and dragged it a bit and it disappeared. Where did it go? I have an iMac OS 10.

Answer: When you dragged the Appleworks alias off the dock it went poof and disappeared in a puff of smoke, Jude. However, only the alias (shortcut link) to Appleworks was kerpoofed. The actual program is still on the Hard Drive.

To restore the Appleworks shortcut link icon onto the Dock, locate the original Appleworks application in the Appleworks folder in the Applications folder on your hard drive, and drag and drop it onto the Dock to create a new Dock alias. The original Appleworks application should remain in the Appleworks Folder.

Emptying locked trash items.

Question: I want to empty my Trash but it says that the info is locked. How can I unlock it?

Answer: Hold down the Option key when you click on Empty Trash. That should override the lock. If that doesn't work, click on the icon that won't go away, and from the File Menu choose Get Info. Uncheck the Locked checkbox. In really stubborn cases, you may also need to uncheck the lock in the Ownership & Permissions subsection of the Get Info window, and/or change the ownership to yourself instead of System or Root. See screenshot.

STFInit system extension.

Question: Every once in a while we have a box pop up, just after starting the computer, that says "The STFInit system extension had an error loading the ACD1.DRVR driver file. Please make sure it is in the Drivers folder of your STF folder." I can't figure this one out. I am using an iMac with System 9.2.2. Please advise, preferably in a step by step answer. It is much appreciated. Thank you and take care.

Answer: The file in question is an obscure subcomponent (Extension, or INIT) of a Fax program called FAXstf. The file has probably become corrupted. Unless you are actually faxing from the iMac, I would disable or delete it, as it's somewhat of a nuisance, and prone to conflict with other programs.

To delete it, look in the Applications folder on your hard drive for a folder named FAXstf and drag it to the trash. Then, look in the Extensions folder in the System Folder for two or three extensions named FX(xxx), and two or three extensions named STF(xxx) and delete them. (xxx means some other text. I don't remember the exact names, and have long ago deleted all fax software from my own computers). Finally, look for a folder named STFxxx near the bottom of the OS 9 System Folder list, and delete it. Restart the iMac. That should clear up the problem, and prevent the fax software from interfering with any other programs.

If you actually need to fax from the iMac, then you probably need to reinstall the FAXstf application from the original iMac install CD that came with your computer.

Size and format.

Question: If I have open a picture in Graphic Converter or Photoshop which appears small on the screen and I increase to view at 50% size and I want to print it, it still prints the original size even thou I changed from original to enlarge/reduce area to fit page. So there is something what I am missing or doing wrong.

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onto an iPod photo directly from the Camera Connector and are immediately viewable on the iPod's screen. They can then be easily transferred to iPhoto or various photo applications on the PC.

However, in an interview with Cnet Apple's Greg Joswiak revealed that in order for the photos to be shown on a TV, the iPod Photo will need to be connected to a computer first.

There is currently a wait of eight days for the device that costs £19. There are other similar devices already on the market, but these are more expensive than Apple's offering. For example, Belkin's Digital Camera Link for iPod costs £69.95.

OS X security update fixes phishing flaw

By Macworld staff

Apple has released a security update to Mac OS X Panther that patches a vulnerability in the Safari browser.

Security Update 2005-003 includes the following components: AFP Server; Bluetooth Setup Assistant; CoreFoundation; Cyrus SASL; Folder permissions; Safari and Samba; but most importantly, it includes a script for preventing phishers from fooling users of its Safari browser.

The loophole, which is not specific to Safari, could allow an attacker to use certain characters from different languages to create legitimate-looking Web addresses that actually send victims to malicious Web sites, reports ZDNet.

Apple explained: "For example, the Cyrillic letter 'a' could be used in place of the Latin letter 'a', making it difficult for a user to tell if they are at www.apple.com or a malicious imposter website that's designed to look like the real one. These sites can be used to collect account numbers, passwords and other personal information."

The client version of the update is 15MB and the server version is 32MB.

Apple world market on rise

By Macworld staff

Apple may see its global slice of the PC market take a rapid Northward hike to five per cent, says Morgan Stanley.

The analyst firm raised its estimate on the company to $60, claiming a recent customer survey that showed the iPod halo factor to be generating far more Mac migration than anticipated.

"Users of iPods had a 19 per cent PC to Macintosh platform conversion rate compared with a street expectation of 10 per cent," the analyst said. The survey also said that all PC makers are vulnerable to Apple's market assault, particularly HP.

iPod customers moving to Mac: "Implies two points of global PC market share gain for Apple in 2005 to 5 per cent from 3 per cent", the analyst said, according to Forbes.

Estimated revenues for Apple were revised to $16.942 billion for calendar 2005; with 2006 earnings estimated at a colossal $25.657 billion.

Commenting on Apple's iPod-driven turnaround, Jupiter Research analyst Michael Gartenberg. told MacCentral: "The luster that the brand currently has because of sales of the iPod combined with what is perceived as a very affordable product and carrying the prestige of the Apple brand is definitely going to help them."

Gartenberg also banged the gavel on discussions of Apple's mortality, saying: "We are past the discussion point of 'will Apple be in business next year, will the Mac be around next year,'" he said, "Only the foolish among us are still debating that question."

"Apple is defining the rules; Apple is defining the market - everyone else is in a reactive and responsive mode. As long as that's the case Apple will continue to be successful," he added.

Web Sites of the Week

Take a tour of Steve Jobs' "other" company - Pixar. Some amazing stuffhere:

http://aintitcool.com/display.cgi?id=19658#1

including the computer array:

http://www.aintitcool.com/images/pixar/pixar12.jpg

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Helpdesk: Good day. How may I help you?

Male customer: Hello... I can't print.

Helpdesk: Would you click on start for me and...

Customer: Listen pal; don't start getting technical on me! I'm not Bill Gates damn it!

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Customer: I have problems printing in red...

Helpdesk: Do you have a colour printer?

Customer: Aaaah.....Thank you.

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Customer: My keyboard is not working anymore.

Helpdesk: Are you sure it's plugged into the computer?

Customer: No. I can't get behind the computer.

Helpdesk: Pick up your keyboard and walk 10 paces back.

Customer: Okay.

Helpdesk: Did the keyboard come with you?

Customer: Yes.

Helpdesk: That means the keyboard is not plugged in. Is there another keyboard?

Customer: Yes, there's another one here. Ah...that one does work!

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Customer: I have a huge problem. A friend has put a screensaver on my computer, but every time I move the mouse, it disappears!

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Thanks, from all at Macwest

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About FORMAT : it sits at PICT (*PICT,*.PCT) do I leave this or change to JPEG/JFIF and how is it when I send pictures via email ? Do I change do JPEG or not?

Answer: Changing the viewing size of a picture only affects the appearance on the display. The original size of the picture is unchanged, and it will still print at it's original size.

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Save the picture as a JPEG (.jpg) if you are going to email it.

Resetting the default Internet Browser in 10.3.

Question: I was on Internet Explorer trying to read some market reports. I left that and went on to another report and it bounced me into Safari? What is this switch to Safari? Should I be doing this out of Safari? Thanks.

Answer: Safari is probably set as the default web browser, meaning that is the browser that would open if you clicked on a link in an email, for instance. In OS 10.3, you can change that to Internet Explorer (or any installed internet browser) from the Safari Preferences. Open Safari and click on the word Safari next to the Apple Menu, then click on Preferences and change the Default Web Browser to the desired browser from the list of options that drops down when you click on the double arrow to the right of Default Web Browser.

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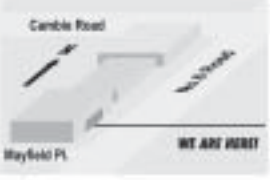

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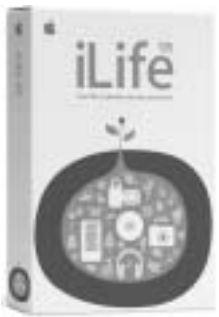

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